Chapter 5. Consultation and Coordination

In the summer of 2003, BLM initiated the revision of management plans for the Alturas, Eagle Lake, and Surprise Field Offices. The issues that were addressed in the planning process were identified through consultation and coordination with interested and affected groups and individuals. This chapter includes a brief description of the process used during the preparation of the Eagle Lake Draft RMP to keep people informed about and involved in the decision process.

5.1 Federal Register Notice

A Notice of Intent was published in the Federal Register in 2003. The announcement contained a request for comments and issues to be addressed in the RMP and concerns over managing public lands.

5.2 Public Meetings and Field Trips

BLM hosted six public scoping meetings in August and September 2003 to identify issues central to the development of the three new RMPs for northeastern California. Approximately 205 persons attended these meetings; dates and locations of the meetings are in Table 1.1-3. Four meetings were held in the planning area (Alturas, Cedarville, Susanville, and Fall River Mills). Additional meetings were held in Redding, California and Reno, Nevada to ensure that the concerns of user groups residing outside the planning area were considered during the planning process. BLM also conducted a field tour of each field office in August 2003. Twenty members of the public attended these tours.

Another addition to the traditional planning process was conducting community workshops to discuss economics and social values. Three social and economic outreach workshops were held in the three field office areas in late fall 2003; these were attended by 42 community members. The workshops focused on presenting economic data and working with community members to arrive at a common understanding of the economic drivers of communities, local social values related to natural resources and places, community goals and vision, and the role of BLM in the community.

Additional public meetings were held in the Alturas, Eagle Lake, and Surprise Field Offices in mid-February 2005 to brief community members on the progress of the alternatives development process.

5.3 Plan Updates

BLM also provided periodic plan updates that were mailed to all members of the BLM RMP mailing list. News releases were broadcast on local television and radio stations and were published in local newspapers.

5.4 Collaborative Planning

The proximity of BLM lands to local communities increases use demands and the need for partnerships and coordination to provide for multiple needs and reduce conflicts. The collaborative process was designed to put government representatives and citizens together to resolve the significant planning issues.

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5.4.1. Intergovernmental Agency Representatives

BLM sent letters to numerous federal, state, and local agencies and tribal governments, inviting them to be official cooperating agencies in this planning effort. Cooperating agency status is a form of collaboration established in NEPA for government entities with special expertise, shared decision making, or relevant interest in a federal agency project. Table 5.1-2 lists the intergovernmental agency representatives who participated in the planning process, in addition to BLM ID team members identified in the "List of Preparers" at the end of this chapter.

5.4.2. Northeast California Resource Advisory Council

The Northeast California Resource Advisory Council is a committee formally chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act to provide a broad representation of interests to advise federal land managers in the northeast California Region. Table 5.1-3 contains the Northeast California Resource Advisory Council membership list.

Table 5.1-2 Intergovernmental Agency Representatives Who Participated in Preparation of the Draft RMP/EIS

Agency/Organization and Contact	Position	Office and Location
BLM		
Paul Roush	BLM NorCal Wildlife Biologist	Arcata Field Office, Arcata, CA
Lassen County		
Jack Hanson	Chairman, Board of Supervisors	Lassen County, Susanville, CA
Robert Sorvaag	Director, Economic Development Council	Lassen County, Susanville, CA
Rick Simon	Planning Division	Lassen County, Susanville, CA
Modoc County		
Sean Curtis	Resource Analyst	Modoc County, Alturas, CA
Washoe County		
Bill Whitney	Planner	Washoe County, Reno, NV
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Serv	vice	
Leonard Le Captain	Wildlife Biologist	USFWS, Klamath Falls, OR
Stewart Reid	Wildlife Biologist	USFWS, Klamath Falls, OR
Rick Hardy	Wildlife Biologist	USFWS, Klamath Falls, OR
Kevin Kritz	Wildlife Biologist	USFWS, Reno, NV
California Department of F	ish and Game (CDFG)	
Jim Nelson	Wildlife Biologist	CDFG, Redding, CA
Frank Hall	Wildlife Biologist	CDFG, Wendel, CA
Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW)		
Roy Leach	Western Regional Supervisor	NDOW, Reno, NV

Note: The individuals listed in this table are in addition to the BLM staff members noted in the List of Preparers.

Table 5.1-3 Northeast California Resource Advisory Council Membership Roster

Individual	Interest
Martin Balding	National/regional environmental interests
Frank Bayham	Historical/archaeological resources
Jack Razzeto	Forest products
John Erquiaga	Livestock grazing on federal land
Wesley Finley	Wild horses and burros
Tim Garrod	Public at large
Jim Chapman	Elected officials
Nancy Huffman	Public at large
Henricus Jansen	Academicians
Ken McGarva	Livestock grazing on federal land
Vacant	National/regional environmental interests
Todd Swickard	Livestock grazing on federal land
Vacant	Tribes
Skip Willmore	Forest products
Rosalee Bradley	Dispersed recreation

5.5 Agencies and Organizations Consulted

BLM maintains a mailing list of approximately 850 agencies, organizations, and individuals to inform them of the ongoing planning process for three field offices. The following lists contain the names of agencies and organizations to which the Alturas, Eagle Lake, and Surprise Draft RMPs/EISs have been sent for review:

5.5.1 Federal Agencies

- U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs
- U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries Service
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- National Park Service
- National Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Department of Food and Agriculture Forest Service
- U.S. Forest Service
- U.S. Geological Survey

5.5.2 State Agencies

- California Department of Conservation
- California Department of Fish and Game
- California Department of Food and Agriculture
- California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

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- California Department of Parks and Recreation
- California Department of Water Resources
- California Department of Transportation
- California Energy Commission
- California Environmental Protection Agency
- California Resources Agency
- California State Historic Preservation Office
- California State Water Resources Control Board
- Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
- Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board
- North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
- Nevada Department of Wildlife
- Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
- Nevada Department of Transportation
- Nevada State Historic Preservation Office

5.5.3 Counties

- Humboldt County (NV) Planning Department
- Lassen County (CA) Planning Department
- Modoc County (CA) Planning Department
- Nevada County (CA) Planning Department
- Plumas County (CA) Planning Department
- Shasta County (CA) Planning Department
- Sierra County (CA) Planning Department
- Siskiyou County (CA) Planning Department
- Washoe County (NV) Planning Department

5.5.4 Native America Tribes

- Redding Ranchería
- Shasta Nation
- Shasta Tribe, Inc.
- Modoc Tribe
- Klamath Tribes
- Susanville Indian Ranchería
- Cedarville Ranchería of Northern Paiute Indians
- Alturas Ranchería of Pit River Indians
- Fort Bidwell Community of Paiute Indians
- Pit River Tribe of California
- Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
- Fort McDermitt Paiute/Shoshone Tribe
- Greenville Ranchería of Maidu Indians
- Pyramid Lake Paiute Indian Tribe
- Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California

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5.5.5 Elected Officials

California

Representative John T. Doolittle, Fourth Congressional District U.S. Senator Barbara Boxer U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein

Senator Dave Cox, First California District Assembly Member Rick Keene, Third California District

Nevada

Representative James Gibbons, Second Congressional District U.S. Senator John Ensign U.S. Senator Harry Reid

State Senator Dean Rhodes

Assembly Member John Marvel, District 32 Assembly Member William Horne, District 34

5.6 List of Preparers

Individuals who participated in the preparation of the Eagle Lake Proposed RMP/ Final EIS are listed below.

Name and Affiliation	Qualifications	Professional Experience and Expertise
Dayne Barron BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Forest Management University of Montana M.S. Silviculture Colorado State University	Eagle Lake Field Office Manager, 16 years experience.
Rhonda Sue Noggles Interdisciplinary Planner BLM Alturas, Eagle Lake, and Surprise Field Offices	B.S. Natural Resources/ Rangeland Management Humboldt State University, Arcata, California	22 years experience as Rangeland Specialist (Natural Resources Conservation Service); 4 years experience in RMP Planning (BLM).
Air Quality		
Jerry Wheeless BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	Currently attending Colorado State University; pending 401 series qualifications	Fire Management Officer, 15 years experience. Expertise in fire suppression tactics and strategy; special emphasis on fuels management.
Paul Whitcome BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Biology University of Nevada, Reno	Assistant Fire Management Officer, Northern California Region, 30 seasons/years fire management experience. Expertise in fire planning, prescribed fire, and suppression operations.

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Name and Affiliation	Qualifications	Professional Experience and Expertise
Cultural Resources		
Don Manuel BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.A. Anthropology California State University, Stanislaus Graduate Studies, Anthropology California State University, Chico	Archaeologist, 34 years experience. Expertise in cultural resources management, cultural resources law enforcement, archaeological field methods and regional studies, cultural ecology, and integrated resource management planning. Special expertise in Great Basin-California prehistory, ethnography and history, military history and the Indian wars. Meets the Secretary of the Interior's guidelines for a professional archaeologist.
Sharynn-Marie Blood BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	2000 M.A. Anthropology (Emphasis in Archaeology), California State University, Bakersfield 1988 B.A. Anthropology, California State University, Fullerton.	Archaeologist, 21 years experience. Expertise in principles, theories, concepts, methods, and techniques of archaeology in the collection, evaluation, analysis, and presentation of data. Knowledge of heritage resources as dictated by federal law; Heritage Resource Management Plans; determining eligibility of sites to the National Register of Historic Places. Training and work experience in Great Basin and California archaeology and faunal analysis.
Fire and Fuels		
Jerry Wheeless BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	Currently attending Colorado State University; pending 401 series qualifications	Fire Management Officer, 15 years experience. Expertise in fire suppression tactics and strategy; special emphasis on fuels management.
Paul Whitcome BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Biology University of Nevada, Reno	Assistant Fire Management Officer, Northern California Region, 30 seasons/years fire management experience. Expertise in fire planning, prescribed fire, and suppression operations.
Soil and Water Resources		
George Wingate BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Forest Management California State University, Humboldt M.S. Wildland Watershed Management California State University, Humboldt	Hydrologist, 33 years experience. Expertise in wildland hydrology, water quality, soils, erosion and sedimentation control, soil interpretation), wildland watershed management, and forest management.

Name and Affiliation	Qualifications	Professional Experience and Expertise
Terrestrial and Aquatic Wildlife		
Melissa Nelson BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Wildlife Science Purdue University	Wildlife Biologist, 13 years experience. Expertise in sensitive species, waterfowl, forest carnivores, and forest habitat management.
Vegetation		
Don Armentrout BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Wildlife Management University of Nevada, Reno	Ecologist, 28 years experience. Expertise in wildlife habitat, rangeland ecology, inventory and monitoring, NEPA, and ESA.
Carolyn Gibbs BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.A. Plant Biology University of California, Davis	Botanist/ Weed Coordinator, 10 years experience.
Ralph Mauck BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Range and Wildlife Management California State University, Humboldt	Rangeland Management Specialist, 27 years experience with BLM. Emphasis on riparian management and range improvements.
Visual Resources, Recreation, and Special Management Areas		
Stanley Bales BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Recreation University of Utah	Outdoor Recreation Planner, 25 years experience. Expertise in recreation, OHV management, visual resource management, and trails.
Duane Jackson BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Natural Resources Management California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	Recreation Planner, 2 years experience. Expertise in resource management, land use planning, VRM, recreation planning, and cultural resources.
Wild Horses and Burros		
Kirsten R. Pasero BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Range Science Montana State University M.S. Range Management University of Idaho	Supervisory Natural Resource Specialist, 14 years experience. Wild Horse and Burro Program Manager, rangeland management specialist.
Energy and Minerals		
Ken Collum BLM Surprise Field Office	B.S. Geology California State University, Fresno	Geologist/Realty Specialist with BLM, 6 months experience. Project Manager/Geologist in the minerals industry, 18 years experience.
Forestry		
Don Dockery BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Forestry University of Montana, Missoula	Forester, 31 years experience in planning, implementation, and administration of timber program.

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Name and Affiliation	Qualifications	Professional Experience and Expertise
Grazing		
Ralph Mauck BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Range and Wildlife Management California State University, Humboldt	Rangeland Management Specialist, 27 years experience with BLM. Emphasis on riparian management and range improvements.
Lands and Realty; Utilities, 7	Fransportation, and Telecommur	nications
Susan Wannebo BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	BLM Realty Specialist	13 years experience as Realty Specialist and NEPA Coordinator.
Duane Jackson BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Natural Resources Management California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	Recreation Planner, 2 years experience. Expertise in resource management, land use planning, VRM, recreation planning, and cultural resources.
Technical Editing		
Christine Modovsky Labat Environmental, Inc.	B.S., Environmental Chemistry, University of Michigan M.S., Environmental Science, George Washington University	Environmental Scientist / Technical Writer: 18 years experience in NEPA, public involvement, and environmental impact assessment
Susan Smillie Labat Environmental, Inc.	B.A., Biology, Smith College M.En., Environmental Science, Miami University	Environmental Scientist / Technical Writer: 25 years experience in NEPA, public involvement, and environmental impact assessment
Ken McGinty GWG Human Resources	B.A. History Duke University M.A. Geography Clark University	Writer-Editor, 30 years experience in technical editing with BLM
Marjie Brown GWG Human Resources	B.A. Communications Western State College of Colorado	Communications Specialist, 20 years experience technical writing, and public relations
David Moore GWG Human Resources	B.S. Forest Management Utah State University	Resource Planner, 30 years experience in recreation and resource planning with BLM
Bruce Hulbert BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Wildlife Biology University of Montana, Missoula, MT	Writer-Editor, 2 years experience with BLM
Jeff Fontana BLM Northern California Field Offices	B.A. Journalism University of Nevada Reno	Public Affairs Specialist, 15 years BLM; 10 years journalism experience
Teresa Simpson BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	A.A. Business (in progress) Lassen Community College	Typist, Editor, 5 years experience

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Name and Affiliation	Qualifications	Professional Experience and Expertise
GIS Technology		
Karen Holmstrom BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	B.S. Anthropology Humboldt State University, Arcata	Geographic Information Specialist, 12 years experience
Josh Gibbs BLM Eagle Lake Field Office	Lassen High School, Susanville	Lead Biological Technician, 6 years experience
Public Comment Responses		
Christine Modovsky Labat Environmental, Inc.	B.S., Environmental Chemistry, University of Michigan M.S., Environmental Science, George Washington University	Environmental Scientist / Technical Writer: 18 years experience in NEPA, public involvement, and environmental impact assessment
Susan Smillie Labat Environmental, Inc.	B.A., Biology, Smith College M.En., Environmental Science, Miami University	Environmental Scientist / Technical Writer: 25 years experience in NEPA, public involvement, and environmental impact assessment

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